LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Previously amended) The crimping pliers of claim 12 in which said crimp retaining prongs define part of the outer walls of a pair of transversely extending crimp retaining troughs.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously amended) The crimping pliers of claim 12 in which an auxiliary handle is pivotally mounted on one of said first and second handles to permit limited-range, pivotal movement of said auxiliary handle to a position between the first and second handles, to facilitate closing of said crimping pliers for crimping action by a person with a small hand.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) Crimping pliers which comprise a pivotally connected pair of handles, each of said handles connecting to one of a pair of interacting jaw portions at an end of each of said handles to form a pliers jaw for crushing cable/wire crimps positioned between said interacting jaw portions, said pliers carrying an auxiliary handle of substantially similar length to handles of said pair, said auxiliary handle being pivotally mounted on one of said handles of said pair to permit limited-range, pivotal movement of said auxiliary handle to a position between the other handles, to facilitate closing of said crimping pliers for crimping action by a person with a small hand, in which said auxiliary handle is spring biased to pivot away to the extreme of its limited pivotal range from the handle to which it is pivotally connected.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) The crimping pliers of claim 7 in which said auxiliary handle is of U-shaped cross section so that it can fit around said one handle of said pair in an extreme rotational position, so as not to interfere with the final closing of said crimping pliers.

11. (Previously Presented) The crimping pliers of claim 5 in which said auxiliary handle is of U-shaped cross section so that it can fit around said one of said first and second handles of said pair in an extreme rotational position, so as not to interfere with the final closing of said crimping pliers.

12. (Currently Amended) Crimping pliers which comprise:

a first handle and a second handle;

said first handle connecting to a first jaw portion at an end of said first handle;

said second handle connecting to a second jaw portion at an end of said second handle;

said first jaw portion and second jaw portion being interacting to form a pliers jaw for crushing cable/wire crimps positioned between said interacting jaw portions;

said first jaw portion comprising a first outer side wall and a second outer side wall laterally spaced from said first outer side wall, said first and second side walls defining a single, open crimp space therebetween, said crimp space having a major dimension extending in a direction longitudinal to said first and second outer side walls;

said first side wall having a first crimp-retaining prong;

said second side wall having a second crimp-retaining prong;

said second jaw portion comprising a single, rigid, metal crimp gripping and crushing ~~projection comprising a vertical~~ plate, which plate is operative to move toward said crimp space between said first wall and said second wall as the interacting ~~interactive~~ jaw portions are pivoted to a closed, crimp crushing position, with an edge of said plate engaging said crimp.

13. (Currently Amended) A crimping pliers which carries a crimp, which pliers and crimp comprise:

a first handle and second handle;

said first handle connecting to a first jaw portion at an end of said first handle;

said second handle connecting to a second jaw portion at an end of said second handle;

said first jaw portion and second jaw portion interacting to form a pliers jaw for crushing a cable/wire crimp which is positioned between said interacting jaw portions;

a cable/wire crimp being so positioned between said interacting jaw portions;

said first jaw portion comprising a first outer side wall and a second outer side wall laterally spaced from said first wall, said first and second side walls defining a single, open crimp space therebetween;

said first wall having a first crimp-retaining prong;

said second wall having a second crimp-retaining prong;

said second jaw portion comprising a single, rigid, metal crimp gripping and crushing projection which is operative to move toward said crimp space between said first wall and said second wall as the interacting ~~interactive~~ jaw portions are pivoted to a closed, crimp-crushing position.

14. (Previously Presented) The crimping pliers of claim 13 in which an auxiliary handle is pivotally mounted on one of said handles to permit limited-range pivotal movement of said auxiliary handle to a position between the other handles, to facilitate closing of said crimping pliers for crimping action by a person with a small hand.

15. (Previously Presented) The crimping pliers of claim 14 in which said auxiliary handle is of u-shaped cross section so that it can fit around said one of said handles of said pair in an extreme rotational position, so as not to interfere with the final closing of said crimping pliers.

16. (Currently Amended) The crimping pliers of claim 13 in which said second jaw portion comprises a ~~vertical~~ plate, with an edge of said plate engaging said crimp.

17. (New) The crimping pliers of claim 12 in which said crimp retaining prongs define part of the outer walls of a pair of transversely extending crimp retaining troughs, and further in which an auxiliary handle is pivotally mounted on one of said first and second handles to permit limited-range, pivotal movement of said auxiliary handle to a position between the first and second handles, to facilitate closing of said crimping pliers for crimping action by a person with a small hand.

18. (New) The crimping pliers of claim 17 in which said auxiliary handle is spring biased to pivot away to the extreme of its limited pivotal range from the handle to which it is pivotally connected.

19. (New) The crimping pliers of claim 14 in which said auxiliary handle is spring biased to pivot away to the extreme of its limited pivotal range from the handle to which it is pivotally connected.